

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1575 - HB 2027

January 24, 2016

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits the Tennessee Historical Commission from amending or supplementing the text of any language that is submitted as a proposed historical marker if the factual accuracy of the submitted language is substantiated by citations to documentary sources. Establishes that such prohibition shall not prevent the Commission from correcting misspellings or typographical errors.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The Tennessee Historical Commission is administratively attached to the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC).
- According to information from TDEC, the current policy of the Commission requires that all proposed historical marker texts are substantiated by citations to documentary sources.
- According to TDEC, this legislation may limit the Commission's authority in approving or rejecting proposed marker texts submitted to the Commission and also may result in a lengthier approval process in confirming or denying proposed marker texts; however, any additional staff time required as a result of this legislation can be accommodated with existing staff during regular work hours.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Krista M. Lee".

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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